

Parks and Recreation Commission

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 31, 2015

7:00 p.m. – Signing of Bills

7:05 p.m. – Regular Meeting

A. Call meeting to order:

Attendance:

B. Minutes of last meeting:

C. Communications:

Field use requests - youth

1. Shannon O'Neil coach for Girls Summer Softball Metro League requesting to use Szot #1 softball field for games and practice
2. Robert Opsitnick, Jr. Chicopee Titians girls softball requesting 4 dates per week April – August
3. Aldenville Junior Athletic Club (AJAC) is requesting the use of Ike Alpert field for 2 boys teams U-8, U12
4. Chicopee-Aldenville American Legion Jr and Sr baseball teams seeking use of Szot Park for 17 home games.

Field use requests - adults

5. Valley Wheel Baseball League for Adults seeking Chicopee Field for games
6. Inter-church Slow Pitch Softball League adults seeking 3 diamonds at Szot and 1 at Rivers Park on Tuesday Nights
7. Benjamin Souza with a men's team in Pioneer Valley Summer Soccer League seeking game field on Tuesday and Thursdays June and July
8. Jeff Couture, Chicopee Tigers Adult Full Count Baseball Team requests use of fields, mostly Chicopee residents on roster

Walks/Runs in park requests

9. Patrick Byrnes, Student at Chicopee Comp seeking permission to organize a cross country road race around Szot Park or Ray Ash as part of a school project in early May. Requesting use of Comfort station.
10. St Stanislaus School is requesting to use Szot Park for a fitness walk April 15, 9 – 12.
11. The Down Syndrome Resource Group of Western Mass requesting to host a walk-a-thon at Szot Park in the Fall
12. Life Point Church- walk-a-thon for mission trip to Nicaragua. April 18, 201 9-12.
13. Tiffany Craft, Brain Injury Association request interest in walk-a-thon

Special Events in park requests

14. Jeremy Rodriguez requesting to hold an Egg Hunt in a City park on April 5, 3-6pm
15. St. Joan of Arc School requesting to use Ray Ash Park for a Field Day event Thursday, June 11 with a rain date of Monday June 15

D. Recreation Report

1. Adult leagues: Basketball, Volleyball, Baseball, Softball. Adult Programs: Fitness, Yoga, Lap swim, Water walking
2. Youth Sport Leagues/Teams: Suburban Basketball & Youth Rec Basketball Leagues,
3. Youth Programs: Swim Lessons, open swim, Lego build, CPR/First aid and Babysitting,
4. Scorekeeper/referee hiring process, Summer Staff applications available
5. Summer: OPEE Summer Program, Youth Sport Camps
6. Egg Hunt Sat April 11, 2015
7. MRPA Stat Conference, Excel Train, Hike and Bike trail development, AAB/ADA trainings

E. Maintenance Report

Tasks Accomplished – snow removal, sanding, beginning spring prep of home plates, pitching rubbers, picnic table, benches and sette repair, Comfort station assessment, inventory of supplies
Parks Labor force communications: open positions, spring field prep, review no smoking policy
Roca: snow removal, roof raking, leaf and stick pick up

F. Old Business:

1. Wisniowski Park-Our Common Backyards Grant update.

2. Update Szot Phase 2 & phase 3 – Tom Scarlotta, Architect Agreement, AAB hearing 7/13/15
3. Update Pool repairs – Architect Appropriation Request before City Council 4/7/15
4. Open Space Plan – update: site assessment, survey, letter of support
5. InspireWorks summer enrichment program – update – Meeting with Summer School 4/21/15
6. Concession Contract
7. Other Old Business

G. New Business:

1. Field Use Policy
2. Parks and Recreation Budget Requests 2016 - final
3. Chicopee Community Garden Council – MOU
4. Park Clean up Day - Date
8. Front Street water damage – contractor
9. Sherwin-Williams – donation letter
10. Cable internet service at Szot Garage - quote
11. Requesting quotes for Sani- Cans and pool chemicals
12. Regional Employment board – Summer Youth Program
13. Pool Fees
14. Other new business.

H. Meeting adjourned:

I. Next Meeting: _____